

P-20 Council Meeting Notes
DuPont Conference Room, Buena Vista Conference Center
New Castle, DE
Monday, October 6, 2014

Welcome

State Board of Education President Teri Quinn Gray welcomed Council members as she called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. She provided a brief overview of the agenda for the meeting.

Members present: Teri Quinn Gray, Donna Johnson, Michael Watson, Deb Stevens, John Buckley, Peggy Bottorff, Charlene Stephens, Jim Wilson, Rhonda Ringer, and Deborah Gottschalk.

Others present: Melissa Hopkins, Shana Payne, Samantha Green, Kristina Tricarico, Andrew Bordrowski.

P-20 Council Business – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Donna Johnson, State Board Executive Director, noted a quorum of the Council was not present, therefore the minutes from the April and July meetings would be posted as draft minutes on the State Calendar. The minutes will be placed on the Council's next meeting agenda for approval along with the October minutes.

Overview of Committee Advance Educator Compensation and Careers

Ms. Johnson highlighted the work of the Committee to date. Formed through Senate Bill 254, the Committee must present a career ladder proposal to the Governor by November 15, 2014. Work on this topic began back in 1998 with the Education Salary Improvement Committee and was mentioned in the Race to the top Initiatives in 2010. The visioning phase began in 2012 with research and collaborating with stakeholders to the now current design phase through the CAECC. Ms. Johnson provided the parameters of what was designated in Senate Bill 254 for the compensation and career plan. There was discussion of these parameters by the Council members and feedback was provided. Ms. Johnson noted that an update would be provided at the Council's next meeting in January.

Delaware Initiative to Reduce College Remediation Rates

Shana Payne from the Department of Education's Higher Education Office began her presentation by announcing college application month and thanking the institutions that are participating. She stated that in an effort to have more students college ready, some districts are providing a transition mathematics course for students. If students achieve at a certain level in the course then the student should feel confident of success at the college level. She provided the

remediation rates of students in Delaware which are higher than the national level. Council members were provided with a college readiness report from each district and from a few charter schools

During a round table discussion, Ms. Bottorff provided information on the University of Delaware's strategic planning process and requested feedback from the Council members. Ms. Ringer from the Department of Technology Information offered assistance with data sharing. Ms. Stephens from Wesley College and Mr. Buckley from Delaware Technical & Community College informed the Council of grants received from their institutions.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. The next meeting of the P-20 Council is scheduled for January 12, 2015 at Noon.